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LAST EDITION.

# "I Shot Ryan," Says Mrs. Hodge

Confession and Surrender of Mrs. Hodge at Grand Rapids, Michigan—Will Be Brought Back by Sheriff Emery, Who Was Appointed at Omaha Today of Her Admission—Sheriff Bailey's Good Work.

## MRS. HODGE HAD A WOMAN CONFEDERATE; SO SAYS SHERIFF BAILEY TO THE "NEWS."

From Sheriff Bailey of Weber county, to whom is due the entire credit of furnishing the first clue to the probable guilt of Mrs. Hodge, notwithstanding the silly and sensational claims of certain self-styled newspapers, that they are the real Sherlock Holmes article in the case, comes the story that Mrs. Hodge has a confederate in the crime; that the confederate is a woman; that he had in his possession a letter written as long ago as May 26, which will prove that the deed was contemplated at that early date. The letter was to the woman's brother and told that she was about to do something dreadful—something she dared not confess.

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 26.—A young woman giving the name of Mrs. Aurora Hodge, her age 19, and her home Denison, Ia., entered the office of Superintendent of Police Carr today and said she wanted to give herself up, declaring that she had killed a man near Salt Lake, Utah, on July 21 last. She said she had parted from her husband a few months after their marriage and went on the road with a traveling medicine vendor as his bookkeeper.

"When in a lonely place near Salt Lake City, July 21," she said, "I attempted to assault me and I shot him with a revolver I had been carrying. I left him in the wagon and went to Salt Lake City to give myself up, but my nerve failed me, and I took a train for Denison. I told my brother and when he went to tell the authorities I fled to Chicago. There I secured a position in a Spring Lake (Mich.) hotel, but could not rest with it on my mind, so I came to Grand Rapids to give myself up."

Mrs. Hodge refused to tell the name of the man she killed. Chief Carr is investigating and the woman is in jail. A telegram late tonight from Acting Chief of Police Burbridge of Salt Lake City to Chief Carr confirms Mrs. Hodge's story, stating that there is a warrant for her arrest for murder, and asking that she be held for the Salt Lake City authorities.

The above welcome news was received in this city yesterday afternoon by Capt. Burbridge of the police department. He was notified by Chief of Police Carr of Grand Rapids that the woman had surrendered and he immediately wired the chief there to hold her until the arrival of Sheriff Emery who is now on his way to that place. Sheriff Emery left Saturday night for Denison, Iowa, to trace the missing woman from that point. He arrived in Omaha this morning and then received a message from Capt. Burbridge announcing the surrender of the woman. He wired back acknowledgment of the receipt of the message and then started for Grand Rapids.

**WILL BE BROUGHT BACK.**  
Question papers are being prepared today by County Atty. Westervelt for the return of Mrs. Hodge, to this state. The papers will be submitted to Acting Gov. Hammond late this afternoon and will then be forwarded on the evening train to Sheriff Emery. It is believed, however, that Mrs. Hodge will not demand her requisition but will return without resort to such a formality of law.

## BIG COLORADO-UTAH MERGER

Movement to Consolidate the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company and the Utah Fuel Company, which Embraces the Pleasant Valley Coal and Other Companies.

That George Gould's mighty fight during the past year for the control of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company is of more than ordinary interest to the people of this state and of the whole west is made evident by a movement well under way to force the consolidation of great Utah properties with it. For instance, it is stated on strong authority, that in the very near future, the Utah Fuel company, organized recently, and embracing the Pleasant Valley Coal and other similar companies, recognized as appertaining to the Rio Grande, will be merged into and become a part of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company. Detailed information is lacking in this city, but the statement is made on what are in all probability the facts in the case.

It is reported also that the consolidation will be made largely on the recommendation of Mr. Gould of Mr. McClellan, who was elected president of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company to succeed J. C. Osgood. It is a matter of railroad and business knowledge that Mr. McClellan represents Mr. Gould and that it was the former who inspected the Rio Grande system and advised its purchase by Mr. Gould. Just what the results will be—the effect will be upon Utah in the event of consolidation is a little too early to anticipate, but that it will be of far-reaching consequence is certain. It means that there will be no competition between the two great corporations as at present, notwithstanding they are now both largely controlled by the same financial interests.

**CYLINDER HEAD BLEW OUT.**  
In New York Brewing Plant, Killing At Least Two Men.  
New York, July 27.—Two men are known to be dead, and six injured, one fatally, as the direct result of the blowing out of the cylinder head of an engine attached to an ammonia pump in the Jacob Ruppert Brewing company's ice plant on Alexander avenue today. One hundred and fifty men were at work at the time and as soon as the engine stopped working the ammonia flowed from the pump, the fumes spreading to all parts of the building. Patrolman David J. Goss was overcome by the fumes while rescuing

and then committed suicide at the Morton House yesterday, was identified today as Christen Weiss of Schnectady, who has a wife and three children, living in Schnectady, J. Burge, a local designer, identified the body. The dead man was about 38 years of age, a brewer by occupation, and for 15 years a member of the Elks, having joined the order at New Brunswick, N. J.

He was a native of Switzerland, where he left a divorced wife and one child when he came to America. Later in the day a mail called at the undertakers and identified the woman as his wife. He is Hugh Quintner of Schnectady. He said he was about to go into the hotel business and that his wife had come to New York Saturday to hire servants. He said Weiss, who was one of his closest friends, had followed her. During the past year Weiss had shown too much attention to Mrs. Quintner and some trouble had been occasioned between them.

**Spanish Consul Refused Exequatur**  
Caracas, July 27.—President Castro has refused to warrant the exequatur of the Spanish consul because of domestic matters which caused dissatisfaction and the disapproval of the foreign ministers, including Minister Bown.

**BELFAST WELCOMES EDWARD AND ALEXANDRA**  
Belfast, Ireland, July 27.—The welcome extended to King Edward and Queen Alexandra at the capital of Ulster was marked by the same enthusiasm which has followed their progress through Ireland. The city was elaborately decorated and thronged and the streets were lined with 10,000 troops, 2,000 blue jackets and 5,000 police. The king and queen arrived at the railway station and presented them with an address. Upwards of 50 other addresses were presented. The king in reply said his highest ambition was to follow in the footsteps of his mother, and make the wellbeing of his people, the prosperity of Ireland and the maintenance of the peace of all nations his constant aim. The royal procession was then formed and traversed the streets to the city hall where the king unveiled a statue erected in honor of Queen Victoria.

A serious accident occurred while their majesties were subsequently driving through the city. A motor car, driven by a woman, was struck by a horse-drawn carriage. The woman was badly injured. She was taken to the hospital.

**W. A. MILLER HAS RESUMED HIS DUTIES.**  
Washington, July 27.—W. A. Miller, assistant foreman of the government bookbinding office, resumed his duties today. He was assigned to his post in charge of the men who have been waging a vigorous war upon him, but the men, in accordance with the union leader's advice, continued to work "technically under protest."

Secy. Doherty of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders has arrived here and has conferred with the local union, President Tatum of the Brotherhood, being detained by illness. No radical action of any sort is now contemplated. Public Printer Palmer and President Tatum of the local bookbinders' union, after their statements as to the consideration of the charges, Mr. Palmer says today that the charges are not being investigated and will not be except under certain circumstances, which he declined to specify. Barrett says the charges are under investigation, pending which he declines to intend to "force the public printer does not intend to sustain the charges the union has appealed directly to the president to remove Miller the charges on which his expulsion from the union was based.

**New News of Taylor & Co's Affairs**  
New York, July 27.—Phillip J. Britt, the assignee of Talbot J. Taylor & Co., said today that he was not prepared to make a statement as yet regarding the company's affairs. It was said that if the market remained at all good, the firm should be able to resume work. At the office of W. L. Stow & Co., the assignee is still at work on the books.

**CLERGY OF KISHINEFF. One to Use Their Influence to Alleviate Anti-Semitic Religious Hatred.**  
St. Petersburg, July 27.—By order of the chief procurator of the Holy Synod, the bishop of Kishineff has instructed the clergy of his diocese to exert their influence on the members of the church by sermon in the churches and personal admonition to allay the anti-Semitic religious hatred.

**A Missouri Shooting Affray.**  
Rolla, Mo., July 27.—In the shooting affray at Arlington, 12 miles south of Rolla Sunday four persons were killed and two of them will probably die. The fight was the result of an old grudge.

The wounded are Perry Andreas, a guide on the Gasconade river; J. W. McDowell, his son Ed McDowell and Gus Todd.

A remark alleged to have been made by Andreas about one of the McDowell's precipitated a general fight, in which guns were drawn and 10 or 15 shots fired. The shooting was short and ended, probably fatally. Ed McDowell sustained a severe injury to his head and James McDowell, it is said, will not recover.

**Establishes a New Record.**  
New York, July 27.—The North German Lloyd line steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which started from here on the 21st, arrived at Plymouth today, making the voyage in five days, 15 hours and 55 minutes, lowering her previous record by one hour and 35 minutes.

**Heavy Storm in Arizona.**  
Tucson, Ariz., July 27.—A second destructive storm has visited Tombstone, accompanied by heavy lightning. Two houses in Tombstone were struck and at St. David, a neighboring town, George Thornton was instantly killed by a bolt of lightning. The damage done in Tombstone was confined to the residence of Dr. Bedford and T. B. Brant, both of which were damaged by fire.

**Crew Still Searching; Body Still Missing.**  
The searching party for the body of the drowned boy, Roy Larkin, came in last evening without having found it. They went out again today, but it is doubtful if they will meet with any better results. In the course of time the body may come to the surface and be cast upon the beach, or it may remain forever hidden in the bottom of the lake.

**Suicide Identified as Christen Weiss**  
New York, July 27.—The body of the man who killed his woman companion

# Big Break at Folsom Prison

Twenty Convicts Make Their Escape—Took With Them Warden Wilkinson, His Grandson, Captain of Guard Murphy and Two Other Officers—Guard Colter Mortally Wounded—Secured Rifles from Prison Armory.

Sacramento, Cal., July 27.—Eighteen or twenty prisoners made a break at Folsom prison between 7 and 8 o'clock this morning, taking with them Warden Wilkinson, his grandson, Harry Wilkinson, Capt. of the Guard Murphy and two other officers. Guard Colter was mortally stabbed by one of the prisoners. Nearly all the sheriff's force and county constabulary are searching for the prisoners who secured a number of rifles from the prison armory before they left the prison.

Folsom penitentiary is known as the prison without walls. It is situated in a rocky amphitheater close to the American river about 20 miles from Sacramento. The prisoners are locked up at night in the cell house but during the day they labor in the stone quarries under the supervision of armed guards. On the hills surrounding the prison grounds are watch towers in which guards armed with Gatling guns and rifles are stationed. Mounted guards are also stationed about the hills. Nearly 1,500 men are confined at Folsom, and it has been the practice to send the most desperate criminals there, instead of to San Quentin, the other state prison. The American river runs through the prison grounds but its waters are rapid and deep, with high, precipitous banks, and an escapee's chances are but little chance of crossing.

The prisoners who made the break this morning can hardly get away but probably intend to hold Warden Wilkinson and the other officers as hostages until favorable terms can be made.

**IN PURSUIT OF THE CONVICTS.**  
Sacramento, July 27.—Immediately after the sheriff's office in this city was notified of the break by the prison officials a posse left for Folsom and will assist in the search for the escaped convicts.

Shortly before 11 o'clock a special train bearing a physician, two trained nurses, Dist. Atty. Seymour and Court Reporter Doane, left for Folsom, the doctor and nurses to treat the two wounded guards.

On account of the magnitude of the break, Private Secy. Nye, in the absence of Gov. Stanford, suggested to Capt. Swisher, commanding company H, Second regiment of infantry, N. G. C. at Placerville, which is about 28 miles east of Folsom, that he assemble his company and be prepared for any action should the services of the soldiers be required. Capt. Swisher acted upon Private Secy. Nye's suggestion immediately and in a very short time nearly all the members of his company had asembled at the armory ready for service.

The prisoners took with them besides Warden Wilkinson, his grandson, Harry Wilkinson, and Capt. Murphy, six other officers of the prison. Shortly after the break the two Wilkinsons and Murphy returned to the prison, the convicts having released them. The other prison officials are still being held by the convicts, who have gone in the direction of Mormon Island, about three miles east of Folsom. They took the clothes of Warden Wilkinson and Capt. Murphy, and compelled Harry Wilkinson to act as a convict's cell.

The convicts destroyed all the rifles and guns they did not take with them. Warden Wilkinson and the other officers were taken by surprise by the convicts. The officers were confined in the warden's office when the convicts, many of them having knives in their hands, rushed into the room and made the officers prisoners. It is now said that but 14 prisoners escaped, and that one of them gave up and returned to the prison.

**TWO GUARDS REPORTED KILLED.**  
Placerville, Cal., July 27.—20 convicts who have broken out of Folsom prison are reported as coming across Eldorado county, and are now said to be in the neighborhood of Clarksville. Of the 10 officials captured and taken it is reported that Warden Wilkinson and Capt. Murphy have been released and that two of the captured guards have been killed by the escaped convicts.

Company H of the national guard, which is the Placerville company, commanded by Capt. Charles A. Swisher, has been called out and is now forming at the armory to await such order as may be received.

**GLASGOW RAILWAY ACCIDENT**  
Thirteen People Killed and a Score Were Badly Injured by an Excursion Train from the Isle of Man Crashing into The Buffers at the Station.

London, July 27.—Thirteen persons have been killed and a score injured in a railway accident at Glasgow, where an excursion train from the Isle of Man crashed into the buffers at the station. Two cars were telescoped in the crash.

Among the killed were the members of an entire family. The train was carrying 100 passengers. The accident occurred at 10:15 a.m. The train was carrying 100 passengers. The accident occurred at 10:15 a.m. The train was carrying 100 passengers.

**CARDINAL GIBBONS PARTICIPATES**  
In Proceedings of Congregation—Takes an Oath to Defend the Rights, Prerogatives and Temporal Claims of the Church, Usque ad Effusionem Sanguinis.

Rome, July 27.—Not many people assisted today at the fifth of the novena dies which was celebrated in the chapel of the chair at St. Peter's. The cardinal, the papal almer, officiating, as attention was centered in the solemn funeral mass at the church of St. John Lateran, where the Peci family, the diplomatic body, the Knights of Malta and the Roman aristocracy were present. They were received at the entrance of the basilica by Mgr. Galimberti and the Duke of Nalvezzi. In the center of the choir stood a high catafalque covered with rich drapery and papal robes, surmounted by a triple crown. Mgr. Storini officiated, assisted by the canons of St. John Lateran. The music, which was exceptionally fine, was furnished by the choir of the basilica.

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**ST. LOUIS BOODLERS ARE SENTENCED.**  
St. Louis, July 27.—Judge Ryan today passed sentence on five former members of the house of delegates, four of whom were convicted of bribery and one in connection with municipal franchise deals. Following are those sentenced: John A. Sheridan, bribery in connection with Suburban Street, five years; Charles E. Edwards, bribery, five years; John A. Sheridan, bribery, five years; James Decker, bribery, five years; and four years for bribery, city lighting bill, six years.

All filed appeal bonds in the sum of \$10,000 each.

**Russian Cartoons Uncle Sam.**  
St. Petersburg, July 27.—The Novoye Vremya has printed a cartoon representing Uncle Sam driving an automobile over two negroes, his right hand guiding a whip and his left supporting the Stars and Stripes, with the mottoes "Freedom and Slavery."

**Danville Mob Dispersed.**  
Springfield, Ill., July 27.—Adj. Gen. Scott had a conversation by telephone with Lieut. Col. J. M. McCloskey, commanding the First Battalion, Seventh Infantry, U. S. Army, guarding the jail at Danville, this morning, in which Col. McCloskey said that all was quiet there; that the mob had dispersed and that the work of rebuilding the jail would be completed by tomorrow.

As a result of the report the adjutant general ordered companies A and B to return to Springfield today, leaving companies C and D in Danville in command of Col. McCloskey.

**Spokane Printers Strike.**  
Spokane, Wash., July 27.—Every printer employed in this city is on strike today. The Spokane Review quit work last night. For the first time in nearly 31 years no paper was published this morning. The Evening Chronicle and Evening Bulletin use the same composing room under contract, both of which are equally involved. The trouble arises from a disagreement as to wages.

This was submitted to arbitration under provisions of the contract between the American Newspaper Publishers' association and the International Typographical union, under which contract the typographical union agreed to protect the Spokane Review from strikes and walkouts until a person could be found who would be a fair record for the first year's run of the factory. The facts in Sanette and Sevier are much better than they have been before, so that a person could predict that the number of pounds of sugar that will be produced this year by the Utah Sugar company will be the heaviest in the history of the company.

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**STATE TAX LEVY FIVE MILLS.**  
Rate Fixed This Afternoon, and Assessed Valuation of All The Counties Estimated at One Hundred Thirty Millions, Which is Twelve Millions Over Last Year's Figures.

The state board of equalization fixed the tax levy this afternoon, for the coming year at five mills for state purposes, and three mills for school purposes. The total assessed valuation will amount to about \$120,000,000, as against \$118,000,000 for the previous year. A member of the board says that it matters not what the amount of taxes is, as the various municipal and minor state boards will find a way to get rid of all the money they can get out of the case of one board was cited where it is stated that after the board had figured out just what it needed for the ensuing year and filed the estimate with the proper officer, its members found that the county's valuation had finally footed up \$300,000 more than the board had figured on as a basis. The board straightway applied for leave to withdraw its estimate for revision on account of this increase of valuation over and above what they had expected.

**OUTLOOK FOR SUGAR.**  
Beet Yield Promises a Heavy Output This Year.

J. C. Cutler, Jr., has returned from an extended trip south. He says the sugar beet crop in Utah county promises to be the best ever grown, and that the plants look very well. Talking to a "News" reporter today Mr. Cutler said: "The manager informed me that the acreage tributary to the Lehi plant will be nearly 80,000 tons of beets which will beat all other records for this plant, while the 4,000 acres tributary to the Garland factory of the Utah Sugar company will produce about 20,000 tons of beets, which the manager thinks will be a fair record for the first year's run of the factory. The facts in Sanette and Sevier are much better than they have been before, so that a person could predict that the number of pounds of sugar that will be produced this year by the Utah Sugar company will be the heaviest in the history of the company."

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The funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Clawson, 64 Second street, beginning at 8 o'clock. Many of the relatives and friends of the young soldier were in attendance to pay their last respects to his memory. The speakers were Major R. W. Young and Elder George P. Gibbs. While the deceased was not

**CHILD'S NARROW ESCAPE.**  
Mahomet Ehlers, aged two, of 253 east Third Street, Sunday, barely escaped drowning Saturday afternoon, by falling into the uncovered part of the city ditch that crosses the country in that neighborhood. The child was caught, as he fell in, at the edge of the covered flume, and the alarm was given by a five-year-old playmate named Silver Gulbranson. Mr. Ehlers, father of the child, was immediately hurried to the place and pulled the child out, just in time to save him. But for the quick and timely warning given by the child, Gulbranson, the Ehlers child would surely have been drowned. People in that vicinity have long regarded the open ditch as a source of danger, and demand that it be covered up.